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SUBJECT: GOC DEPUTY TRADE MINISTER TO VISIT CUBA

REF: OTTAWA 414

1. DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCE (ITC) ANNOUNCED MARCH 15 THAT DEPUTY MINISTER JAMES GRANDY WILL LEAD A GOC DELEGATION COMPRISING EXTAFF, FINANCE, ITC AND AGRICULTURE OFFICIALS TO HAVANA MARCH 18-22 TO DISCUSS POSSIBILITIES OF EXPANDING TRADE. THESE DISCUSSIONS ARE ANNOUNCED AS FOLLOW-UP OF VISIT TO CANADA IN 1972 OF CUBAN VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE PAUL LEON TORRAS.

2. GRANDY IS SECOND HIGH-RANKING GOC OFFICIAL TO VISIT CUBA THIS YEAR, FOLLOWING CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY PRESIDENT PAUL GERIN-LAJOIE WHO WENT TO HAVANA IN FEBRUARY (REFTEL). EXTAFF TO BE REPRESENTED BY ASST. UNDER-SECRETARY D'IBERVILLE FORTIER.

3. MARCH 15 MONTREAL GAZETTE, REPORTING ABOVE, ALSO CARRIES ARTICLE BY PETER BUCKLEY OF CP DATE LINED WASHINGTON REPORTING U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT DISCLOSURE OF NAMES OF FIVE U.S. SUBSIDIARIES IN CANADA WHOSE PARENT UNCLASSIFIED

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COMPANIES WERE PREVIOUSLY GRANTED LICENSES FOR TRADE WITH

CUBA, I.E., CELANESE CANADA LTD. (FORMERLY CHEMCELL LTD.),
BELL AND HOWELL CANADA LTD., BUNGE CORPORATION LTD., HAYES
DANA LTD, AND UPJOHN COMPANY OF CANADA.

4. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING FROM DEPARTMENT FULL
PARTICULARS OF THESE AND SIX ADDITIONAL U.S. TREASURY
LICENSES REPORTEDLY GRANTED CANADIAN SUBSIDIARIES SINCE
CUBAN ASSET CONTROLS INSTITUTED.

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